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SUBJ: KHADDAM DISCUSSES LEBANON

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FOR THE RECORD, WE HOPE OUR READERS REALIZE THAT KHADDAM'S
REPEATED ASSERTIONS, AS IN REFTEL, THAT SYRIANS IN ADF ARE
FOLLOWING LEBANESE ORDERS ARE DISINGENUOUS, TO SAY THE LEAST.
SARKIS HAS MADE IT CLEAR ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS THAT HIS
NOMINAL STATUS AS COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THOSE FORCES IS BUT
A VERY THIN FIG LEAF. HE EXERCISES NO EFFECTIVE CONTROL OVER
THEM, AS AFTERMATH OF FAYYADIYAH INCIDENT ILLUSTRATED VERY
CLEARLY. SAMI KHATIB, THE NOMINAL LEBANESE ADF COMMANDER,
HAS BEEN QUOTED AS SAYING THAT HE HAS ABOUT AS MUCH POWER
AS THE POPE IN MECCA.
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